

1 **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING BASE**
2 **NOUN PHRASES**

3 **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

4 A system and method identify base noun phrases
5 (baseNP) in a linguistic input. A part-of-speech tagger
6 identifies N-best part-of-speech tag sequences
7 corresponding to the linguistic input. A baseNP identifier
8 identifies baseNPs in the linguistic input using a unified
9 statistical model that identifies the baseNPs, given the N-
10 best POS sequences.
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